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**RESPONSE TO NOTICE OF NON-COMPLIANT AMENDMENT  
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Sir:

This Response is filed on behalf of Applicant in the above-referenced patent application in response to the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment mailed on January 23, 2007. The claims, as amended, begin on page 2 of this Response. It is deemed to place the application in condition for allowance.

The Commissioner is authorized to charge any additional fees associated with this communication, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 16-1910 (28540.00).

Respectfully submitted,

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